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In the Office Action dated July 14, 2006, typographical errors in claims 3 and 11 were noted, which have now been corrected. Claims 1, 3-7, 9 and 11-15 were rejected based on the prior art, and claims 8 and 16 were stated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

By the present Amendment, the subject matter of claim 8 has been embodied in claim 1, and claim 8 accordingly has been cancelled. Similarly, the subject matter of claim 16 has been embodied in independent claim 9 and claim 16 has been cancelled.

In view of the indicated allowability of the subject matter of claims 8 and 16, all claims of the application are submitted to be in condition for allowance, and early reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

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